

MINUTES

EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

City Council Chamber

4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Council President Weld called the meeting to order. The following Council Members were present: Emily Anderson, Jill Christopherson, Kate Felton, Jeremy Gragert, Charles Johnson, Roderick Jones, Larry Mboga and Terry Weld. The following Council Members were absent: Emily Berge, Joshua Miller and Andrew Werthmann.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for the following items of routine business on Tuesday, July 26, 2022:

- Adopting the Consent Agenda.
- Approving the Minutes of the July 12, 2022 Council Legislative Session.
- Authorizing the Wisconsin Logging Museum to conduct the US Open Chainsaw Sculpture Championship from Thursday, August 11, 2022 through Sunday, August 14, 2022 at Carson Park.
- Granting new bartender licenses.
- Granting the renewal of bartender licenses for the 2022-2024 licensing period.
- Granting a temporary expansion of the Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage and a Class B Cabaret licensed premise of Gruen's Hobbsy's LLC, d/b/a Hobbsy & Me, 3620 Locust Lane, to include a fenced in area for a two-day class reunion, August 5 & August 6, 2022.
- Granting a premise to premise transfer of a Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Class C Wine license of Silly Serrano Mexican Restaurant LLC, d/b/a Silly Serrano, from the location at 329 Riverfront Terrace to 2006 Cameron Street, Sheila Arrendondo, agent.
- Granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Temporary Class C Wine license to Immaculate Conception Parish, President, Father Francis Thadathil, 1722 Highland Avenue, on September 17 & September 18, 2022, for the Immaculate Conception Parish festival.
- Granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Temporary Class C Wine license to United Way of the Greater Chippewa Valley, Inc., President, Miriam Gehler, 2424 E. Clairemont Avenue, on August 8, 2022, for the Business After Hours event.
- Granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Temporary Class C Wine license to Wisconsin Logging Museum, President, Earl Holzman, 1110 E. Half Moon Drive, from August 11 to August 14, 2022, for the US Open Chainsaw Sculpture Championship.
- Authorizing the City of Eau Claire Police Department to apply for an Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) formula program funds from the US Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Jones and seconded by Council Member Gragert "to adopt the consent resolution." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

AGREEMENT

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a purchase and development agreement with Phoenix Parkside II, LLC for property in the North Barstow Redevelopment District. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Felton and seconded by Council Member Anderson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ALLEY VACATION

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the vacation of a portion of the Alley East of Whipple Street from Madison Street to Cameron Street. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Mboga “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution releasing the utility easements within a portion of the Alley East of Whipple Street from Madison Street to Cameron Street. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Johnson and seconded by Council Member Jones “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ENCROACHMENT

The City Council considered a substitute resolution granting a permanent encroachment to Parcel No. 02-0107 at 307 S. Barstow Street for a storefront balcony encroachment over the sidewalk along Barstow Street in Eau Claire. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Gragert and seconded by Council Member Felton “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

REFERENDUM

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing referendum for the November 2022 Ballot. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the resolution.”

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Johnson and seconded by Council Member Anderson “to amend the resolution” by changing the number of Firefighter/Paramedics positions to six (6) and the number of Police Officer positions to six (6), for a total levy limit increase of \$1,448,132 per year, and updating other numbers appropriately as they become available. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

A vote was then taken “to adopt the resolution” as amended. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

FINAL PLAT

The City Council considered a resolution approving the final replat for Fairways at Mill Run located at Losan Avenue (File P-9-21). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Mboga and seconded by Council Member Johnson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ZONING

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning property from R-1A to C-3P and I-1P located at the southwest corner of 20th Avenue and Highway T and to amend the comprehensive plan and adopt the general development plan to allow for a mixture of commercial and industrial development (Z-1711-22). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Jones and seconded by Council Member Gragert “to adopt the ordinance.”

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Felton and seconded by Council Member Johnson “to amend the conditional use permit” by adding to #32 “and a cap of 10 single day outdoor-based music events, for a total of not more than 20 days per year.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

A vote was then taken “to adopt the resolution” with amended conditional use permit. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning property from C-2H to C-3P located at 1104 W. Clairemont Avenue for an existing parking lot to be added to the adjacent lot (Z-1712-22).

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Felton and seconded by Council Member Anderson “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning property from R-2P to R-3P and to amend the plan development to allow for multi-family apartments within R-3P zoning district located on Losan Avenue (Z-1696-21 Amd). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Mboga “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ANNEXATION

The Council considered an ordinance annexing land to the City of Eau Claire located on Highway 53, Town of Washington, Eau Claire County, as shown on Planning Drawing No. 22-4A. (Olson Petition No. 14514). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Johnson and seconded by Council Member Jones “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection.

Adjournment: July 26, 2022

Time: 6:02 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Weld
Council President

/s/ Carrie L. Riepl
City Clerk